



# COLORADO Tres Rios

Field Office

## Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2023

### Dolores River Rangers

### Mahan Kiosk



Gypsum Boat Ramp



Mahan Kiosk Installation

**Amount Expended: \$26,901.60**

**Amount Expended: \$250.00**

This year the Tres Rios Field Office partnered with the San Juan Mountains Association to hire two River Patrol & Education Interns to serve as a primary point of contact for visitors along the Dolores River during the very active river season of 2023. These interns provided education, Leave No Trace and safety messaging at popular boat ramps, campgrounds and dispersed campsites throughout the river corridor including within the Dolores River Canyon WSA. They also conducted maintenance projects

The Tres Rios FO rented heavy equipment to complete the installation of a new kiosk at a popular dispersed recreation site east of Durango. The kiosk now provides visitors with guidance and information about the area and has space for the FO to post additional information such as fire restrictions or winter wildlife closures.

## Revenue & Expenditures

FY23 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$5,270.15
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$26,361.86
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$0.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY23</b>	<b>\$31,632.01</b>
<b>Carryover from Prior Years</b>	<b>\$191,998.70</b>
<b>Total Available Funds for FY23</b>	<b>\$223,630.71</b>

FY23 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$1,365.28
Visitor Services	\$25,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$99.88
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23</b>	<b>\$26,465.16</b>
<b>Total Available Funds for FY24</b>	<b>\$197,165.55</b>



Other Accomplishments

- The Recreation Department also managed a very active boating season while short staffed.

Vicinity Map



Planned Activities



Aqueduct Parking and Porta Potties

Maintenance, repair, and facility improvements related directly to visitor enjoyment, visitor access, and health and safety

Interpretation, visitor information, visitor service, visitor needs assessments, and signs

Habitat restoration directly related to wildlife-dependent recreation such as hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography

Law enforcement related to public use and recreation

Direct operating, or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program

Tres Rios FO has received additional project funds through the BIL/IRA process and a CPW grant to fund a new career-seasonal Park Ranger position for further enhancing and improving visitor services.

FY24 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$25,000.00
Visitor Services	\$5,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$5,000.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$5,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$6,000.00
<b>Total Planned Expenditures for FY24</b>	<b>\$46,000.00</b>
<b>Total Available Funds for FY24</b>	<b>\$197,165.55</b>
<b>FY24 Balance after Planned Expenditures</b>	<b>\$151,165.55</b>

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[Published FLREA Triennial Report](https://doi.sciencebase.gov/flrea/)

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[Published FLREA Annual Revenue and Spending Plans](https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-fees/flrea-revenue)

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[Bureau of Land Management's Blueprint for 21st Century Outdoor Recreation](https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2023-08/Blueprint%20for%2021st%20Century%20Outdoor%20Recreation508.pdf)

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*Recreation fee dollars are an investment in outdoor recreation. Current and future generations benefit as 100% of the funds collected are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.*

